

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) An image recording apparatus comprising,

a medium tray; and

a medium outputting section on an upper face of the image recording apparatus,

said medium tray comprising:

a depository in which a plurality of ~~said~~ record media is loaded such that front and rear portions of said record media have different angles with respect to a feeding direction of said record media when said record media are in said depository, said depository including a medium support for placing the front portions of the record media and a rear guide extending upwardly from a rear end of the medium support for guiding the rear portions of the record media upwardly, said medium support protruding outside of the image recording apparatus from a side of the image recording apparatus to be exposed; and

a folding member provided at a rear portion of said depository for folding the record media so that the rear portions of the record media are folded toward the image recording apparatus with front side surfaces of the record media inward, said folding member being disposed at an upper portion of the rear guide, said folding member including a guide member for guiding the record media toward the image recording apparatus and

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pressing from above backside surfaces facing upward of the record media thus folded,

    said medium outputting section outputting said record media carrying said an image, wherein said guide member is connected to said upper face so that said record media outputted from said medium outputting section is stacked in said ~~upper guide~~ guide member.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, which further comprises a restricting member arranged at said medium support or rear guide and restricting said record media put in said depository such that said record media are not spaced from said medium support or rear guide more than a predetermined distance and is transported along said medium support or rear guide when said record media are fed into said image recording apparatus.

4. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said depository further comprises a curved section between said medium support and rear guide.

5. (canceled)

6. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said folding member is composed of a restricting member which restricts said record media put in said depository such that said record media are not spaced from said depository more than a predetermined distance and is

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transported along said depository when said record media are fed into said image recording apparatus, said restricting member extending toward the medium support.

7. (canceled)

8. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, which further comprises at least one rear supporter provided above said depository at a position closer to the image recording apparatus than that of the folding member for supporting the rear portions of said record media folded at said folding member.

9-10. (canceled)

11. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising

at least one rear supporter provided above the depository at a position closer to the image recording apparatus than that of the folding member for supporting the rear portion of the record medium folded at the folding member; wherein said at least one rear supporter holds said rear portion of said record medium such that the rear portion is rolled up.

12. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said rear supporter is made of at least one shaft.

13. (currently amended) An image recording apparatus comprising,

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a medium tray; and

a medium outputting section on an upper face of the image recording apparatus,

said medium tray comprising:

a depository in which a plurality of ~~said~~ record media is loaded such that front and rear portions of said record media have different angles with respect to a feeding direction of said record media when said record media are in said depository, said depository including a medium support for placing the front portions of the record media and a rear guide extending upwardly from a rear end of the medium support for guiding the rear portions of the record media upwardly and pressing from above backside surfaces facing upward of the record media, said medium support protruding outside of the image recording apparatus from a side of the image recording apparatus to be exposed; and

a folding member provided at a rear portion of said depository such that rear portions of said record media in said depository are folded toward said image recording apparatus with upper surfaces of the record media inward, said folding member being disposed at an upper portion of the rear guide, said folding member being composed of said rear guide and an upper guide extending from a top end of said rear guide toward a main body of said image recording apparatus such that said upper guide covers said rear guide,

said medium outputting section outputting said record media carrying ~~said~~ an image, wherein said upper guide is connected to said upper face so that said record media outputted from said medium outputting section is stacked in said upper guide.

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14. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said upper guide can be opened or closed with a side of said main body of said image recording apparatus as a fulcrum.

15. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said upper guide comprises a rear supporter disposed at a position closer to the image recording apparatus than that of the rear guide for supporting the rear portions of said record media put in said depository.

16. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 13,

wherein said depository comprises the medium support for placing the front portion of the record medium and a rear guide extending upwardly from a rear end of the medium support for guiding the rear portion of the record medium upwardly, said folding member is composed of the rear guide and an upper guide extending from a top end of the rear guide toward a main body of the image recording apparatus such that the upper guide covers the rear guide, said upper guide comprises a rear supporter disposed at a position closer to the image recording apparatus than that of the rear guide for supporting the rear portion of the record medium placed in the depository, and said rear supporter holds said rear portion of said record medium such that the rear portion is rolled up by said rear supporter.

17. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said rear guide is made of at least one shaft.

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18. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said upper guide is made of at least one shaft.

19. (canceled)

20. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the rear portions of said record media folded at said folding member are supported by an upper surface of said image recording apparatus.

21. (canceled)

22. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said upper face and said upper guide provide a space therebetween in which said rear portions of said record media put in said depository of said medium tray is supported.

23. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said at least one rear supporter is arranged on the guide member so that the guide member is adopted to be rotatable around a fulcrum provided on a main body of the image recording apparatus.

24. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 23, wherein said at least one rear supporter is arranged to form an opening for receiving the rear portion of

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the record medium placed on the medium support when the at least one rear supporter opens.

25. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 16, wherein said at least one rear supporter is arranged on the guide member so that the guide member is adopted to be rotatable around a fulcrum provided on a main body of the image recording apparatus.

26. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said at least one rear supporter is arranged to form an opening for receiving the rear portion of the record medium placed on the medium support when the at least one rear supporter opens.

27. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said rear guide is made of at least one shaft.

28. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said folding member includes an upper guide extending from an top end of the rear guide toward a main body of said image recording apparatus such that the upper guide covers the rear guide, said upper guide being made of at least one shaft.

29. (currently amended) An image recording apparatus comprising,

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a medium tray; and

a medium outputting section on an upper face of the image recording apparatus,

said medium tray comprising:

a depository protruding outside of the image recording apparatus to be exposed for depositing a plurality of record media; and

a folding member provided at a rear portion of the depository, said folding member including a guide member for guiding rear portions of the record media to be folded toward the image recording apparatus with front side surfaces of the record media inward and pressing from above backside surfaces of the record media thus folded facing upward,

said medium outputting section outputting said record media carrying said an image, wherein said guide member is connected to said upper face so that said record media outputted from said medium outputting section is stacked in said upper guide guide member.

30. (previously presented) The image recording apparatus according to claim 29, further comprising at least one rear supporter disposed at a position closer to the image recording apparatus than that of the rear guide for supporting the rear portions of the record media.